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SPOTLIGHT ON...

Culture Preservation Dept.

Part 2: The Drum continues its exploration of the tribe's Culture Preservation Department focusing on the NAGPRA program and an upcoming event the Department will be hosting.

A display of historic Ute photos

By Sacha Smith
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Culture Department will soon be sharing over 250 historic Ute photos with the public. The event was made possible through collaboration between History Colorado and the three Ute tribes.

According to Culture Director, Elise Redd, History Colorado sent the tribes historic Ute photos from their archives to share. History Colorado also asked for any help with identifying the photos.

"These pictures are from History Colorado and there may be pictures [tribal members] may have never see before," Redd said. [Tribal members] can come look at them, and if they know someone in the photo, we'd like them to identify who it is."

The Cultural Department will be displaying the photos on the Saturday of Bear Dance – Saturday, May 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. And according to Redd, the photos may not all be of Southern Ute's, but will

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Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Alden Naranjo has been the NAGPRA coordinator for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe since 1990 when the Native American Graves Protection Repatriation Act was first established. The Act consists of historical remains being returned from museums and institutes to their appropriate tribes.

NAGPRA aims to preserve history

By Damon Toledo
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) was established in 1990 to ensure that cultural objects and remains are returned to the affili-

ated Indian Tribes. Since its formation, hundreds upon hundreds of native remains and artifacts have been brought back to their tribes in one piece. However, there are still many artifacts across the globe that is still waiting for

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CCIA

Lt. Gov. Garcia and tribal leaders issue statement on failed mascot bill

Staff report
OFFICE OF THE
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia, Chair of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs joins Chairman Manuel Heart of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe and Chairman Clement Frost, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, to issue the following statement after HB15-1165 "School's Use of American Indian Mascots" failed.

"Last night, HB15-1165 'Schools' Use of American Indian Mascots' bill failed in the Senate State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Committee on a party line vote. We would like to thank Representatives Salazar and Melton and Senator Ulibarri for bringing this legislation forward and, by

doing so, providing a forum for an important conversation about the manner in which images and symbols are viewed depending on one's individual historical and cultural perspective.

For centuries, American Indian peoples have called Colorado home. From Cortez to Sterling and Trinidad to Craig, numerous tribal nations hunted, gathered, and lived in areas from which, over time, most were removed and forced onto reservations, stripped of their land, language and culture, and, too often, even their lives.

HB 1165 sparked an important conversation in the Legislature about the use of outdated names and

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AIR QUALITY

Four Corner's forum targets methane hotspot



Jeremy Wade Shockley/Special to the Drum

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Environmental Programs Division Head Tom Johnson, takes notes during the public science forum on methane gas levels in the Four Corners Region, held at San Juan College, Friday, April 17.

By Jeremy Wade Shockley
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Scientists and researchers specializing in air quality spoke to a full house during a public science forum on regional methane studies on Friday, April 17, held at San Juan College, Farmington, New Mexico.

Satellite data spanning almost a decade has shown significant amounts

of methane gas buildup in the Four Corners region, prompting scientists to study the region in an attempt at pinpointing the source of this greenhouse gas linked to global warming and climate change.

Experts from NASA, National Oceanographic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and the Uni-

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SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

Tribal updates addressed at latest general meeting

By Damon Toledo
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Discussions on tribal health care, economic developments with the Growth Fund, home loans for tribal lands, and elder services were among the topics addressed at the general meeting held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort on Friday, April 17. The meeting was held in order for Tribal Council to address the tribal community on updates throughout the organization.

"As a community, we must be [on the same page]," said Clement J. Frost to a crowded room.

"We want to address the [matters] as a tribe and form an understanding."

The topic of tribal health care garnered plenty of attraction between tribal members and health center staff. Tribal members were vocal about the progression of the Southern Ute Health Center and expressed opinions on the direction staff members have taken.

"I understand there are concerns with what's happening at our Health Center," said Tribal Health Department Director, Lola Osawe. "We are [address-

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Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Southern Ute Chairman, Clement J. Frost, addresses the attendees with special thanks at the general meeting on April 17 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

SUCCM: Bear Dancing 101



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy show their Bear Dance skills to the Ignacio Middle School kids on Wednesday, April 22 at the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM). After a brief presentation from the SUIMA kids the Ignacio Middle School kids decide to show them what they've learned. Girls from each school got to pick the boys and then the dancing begun.

The beat goes on



photos Damon Toledo/SU Drum

The Hozhoni Days Powwow was held at Fort Lewis College in Durango on Saturday, April 18. The powwow featured dancers from across the country and is known to be one of the longest running events at FLC, celebrating its 51st year.

Brianna GoodTracks-Alires marches during the Gathering of Nations Powwow Grand Entry. The Gathering of Nations was held from April 23-25 at the University of New Mexico's Pit Arena in Albuquerque, NM.



MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES

MIS conducts tribal member customer satisfaction survey

By Mick Souder
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION
SYSTEMS

Southern Ute tribal members are invited to participate in the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Membership Satisfaction Survey for 2015 between April 17 and May 10. It should take less than 15 minutes to complete the questionnaire. Your participation in this survey is critical to our efforts to improve the quality of tribal member services and set priorities for the community. The survey can be accessed on the Internet at www.surveymonkey.com/r/Suit-Membership. If you prefer to complete a paper version of the survey, please contact the Management Information Systems Department at 970-563-0128 or mis@

southernute-nsn.gov and we will send a copy to you with a pre-stamped envelope. This survey is designed to provide a quantitative performance metric for tribal member satisfaction with the services the tribe provides. Your survey responses will be confidential and data from this research will be reported only in the aggregate. Results will be posted on the Permanent Fund's

website as soon as we can get the results tabulated at www.southernute-nsn.gov. Thank you so much for your time, and for helping the Permanent Fund achieve the vision of maximizing prosperity, creating opportunities, and enhancing the self-sustainability of enrolled tribal members and the tribe as a whole. Email MIS@southernute-nsn.gov if you have any questions.

To complete the survey we ask

1. Of those individuals living in your home, the adult 18 years or older who had the most recent birthday should fill out the survey.
 2. Please fill out the survey completely. "Don't Know" is an acceptable response.
 3. Only complete one survey per household.
- Also, at the end of the survey, there are instructions for entering a drawing for an Android tablet computer.

SW COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Community Foundation is blooming

Staff report
SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

Celebrate spring with the Community Foundation's annual meeting on Wednesday, May 6 at the Rochester Secret Garden, 726 E, 2nd Ave. in Durango. This is an opportunity for the Community Foundation to give the community an update and celebrate our impact to our community. Tickets are \$25 per per-

son and are available for purchase on-line at www.SWCommunityFoundation.org or at the door. Guests will be treated to appetizers from Cyprus Café and music by the Lisa Blue Trio. All proceeds benefit the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado. The Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado is committed to increasing philanthropy in SW Colorado. In meeting this commitment, we pro-

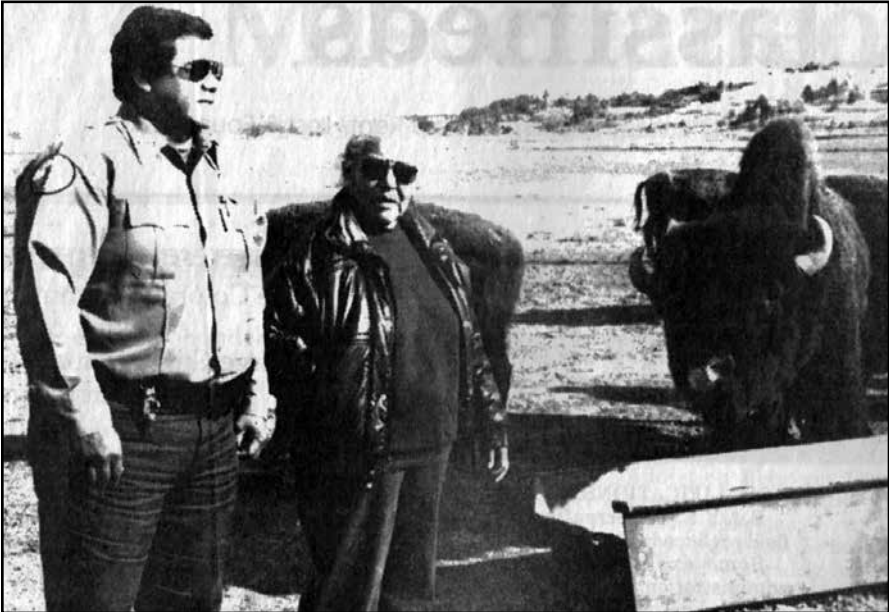
vide opportunities for individuals and local businesses to create, grow and disperse funds to our community. In 2014, the Community Foundation serving Southwest Colorado infused more than \$1.4 million into Southwest Colorado. • \$205,337.48 in grants facilitated through the Community Foundation • \$1,217,776.57 in grants to nonprofits from our fund holders and Friends of the Foundation



Beth Santistevan/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Lorraine Watts doesn't want to move a muscle while her teacher draws her outline at the Southern Ute Head Start's Field Day. This photo first appeared in the April 29, 2005, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Three tribal members enjoy the spring air during the Wildlife Retreat. Pictured are Bryce Red, Vice Chairman Vida Peabody, and Rolling Thunder. Yes, the big bull bison has an enrollment number and is a full member of the tribe. This photo first appeared in the April 28, 1995, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Special Election Board for the Referendum Proposal are L-R: Annabelle Eagle, Sunshine Smith and Ruby Taylor. They urge all Southern Ute tribal members to register to vote before May 17 and to vote on Friday, May 24, 1985. This photo first appeared in the May 3, 1985, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

Road named after Newton Jr.



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

The Jimmy R. Newton Jr. Memorial Road was unveiled Tuesday, April 21 at the intersection of La Plata County Road 322 and Highway 172. The La Plata County Board of County Commissioners recently memorialized the life and contributions of the late Chairman Jimmy R. Newton, Jr., by passing a resolution naming County Road 322 (East La Boca Road) in his honor. Maylon Newton, (left) daughter of the late Chairman Newton, shared a short speech she wrote in honor of her father. Standing long-side Maylon are Elaine Newton (Newton's mother) and Jimmy R. Newton Sr.



La Plata County Commissioner Julie Westendorff (left) and Southern Ute Tribal Councilman James M. Olguin unveil the new sign in Newton's honor.

LOCAL UPDATE

National Day of prayer announced

Ignacio area churches are hosting the National Day of Prayer at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 7 at the Ignacio Community Church located at 400 Browning Avenue in Ignacio.

Veterans Services hours in Ignacio

The La Plata County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO), Richard S. Schleeter, will hold office hours for veterans to meet with him and learn more about their veterans benefits on the second Tuesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Ignacio Community Library, 470 Goddard Ave. in Ignacio. Appointments in Ignacio can be made by calling 970-759-0117, and walk-ins are welcome. Every veteran is encouraged to contact the CVSO to find out more about their VA benefits.

Ute Vocational reunion planned

The annual school reunion will be held on Saturday, May 23 at the Multi-Purpose Facility from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. We have had a tremendous turn out for past reunions and expect to see more classmates as the reunion will tie in with the Southern Ute Tribal Celebrations: Powwow and Bear Dance. This is a potluck and white elephant event. The potluck can be whatever food you wish to bring. The white elephant event is bringing a gift that was given to you that you don't really like or need. Now is the perfect opportunity to pass it on to someone else. Paperware will be provided. Please invite classmates and bring school yearbooks and other pictures to share with friends. We would like to see more local people in attendance. For more information contact Arlene Millich at 970-259-0582.

MASCOT BILL FAILS • FROM PAGE 1

offensive caricatures of American Indian people in many of Colorado’s schools. While issues like local control and financial constraints prevailed, it is our hope that this discussion has encouraged communities to have an open and honest dialogue about this issue. Institutions which strive to teach respect and dignity to our next generation should recognize that displays of American Indian warpaint, headdresses and tomahawk

chants may be offensive to tribal nations and Native people. Intentionally or not, they often degrade the proud and ongoing legacy of American Indians in Colorado and everywhere throughout the nation. Last December, when Governor Hickenlooper apologized to the descendants of the tribes that suffered the atrocity of the Sand Creek Massacre, and a month later, when he gave his State of the State, he said healing begins with

an apology. It also takes dialogue and a recognition that we view certain symbols, images and words through our respective historical and cultural perspectives. As we move forward, it is our hope that the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs will be utilized as a resource to help facilitate that dialogue by connecting schools and communities with Tribes that once called these places home, and may do so still today.”

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most likely being a mixture of all three Ute tribes. “I think the membership would enjoy seeing their history, their family and ancestors and getting a chance to see whom they recognize ... and see the clothing they wore and how they lived,” she said. The event will be held inside the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum’s Small and Large Classrooms. Guests can expect to see photos displayed on the walls and in books on

tables, Redd said. The photo display is apart of a new trend of events the Culture Department has been hosting around Bear Dance for the last two years, she said. “Every year we do something different, two years ago Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) came and filmed elders and we also hosted a Ute language conference. Last year, we hosted a mini NAGPRA conference and a Ute Social. So this is our event for this year.”

Redd said this event is right on line with the Department’s mission and hopes tribal members take advantage of the opportunity to view the photos. Also on display will be finished quilts from a recent quilt-making class Culture hosted. Other tribal members that have a quilt they made, and wish to display at the event are encouraged to do so, Redd said. The last day to turn in your finished quilt into the Culture Department is May 15.

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their return home. “I became the NAGPRA coordinator in 1990 when the act was past,” Alden Naranjo, NAGPRA Coordinator said. “[The act] covers all artifacts, remains, and any associated items that belong to whichever tribe is in that area when the excavation was made. These were items that ended up being used in repositories and museums.” For many years, tribal leaders have visited museums and institutions and would find Native American remnants stored away in boxes in locked rooms with little to no information on exactly where they came from. This issue was first addressed back in 1976 when the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs was created, particularly for

these concerns alone. The laws surrounding NAGPRA have changed vastly. It is now a criminal offense to traffic in Native American remains without right of possession or in Native American cultural items obtained in violation of the Act, which can lead to imprisonment and a hefty fine. NAGPRA goes through a particular process in which museums and agencies determine the rights of certain artifacts to the lineal descendants connected to the Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations. If the descendants of the artifacts/remains cannot be identified, then the objects will go directly to the associated tribes. In December 2013, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe signed a memorandum of

understanding that provided available lands for a number of remains that were set for reburial on the reservation. Those remains have now been properly laid to rest. Having these artifacts of cultural significance returned to their appropriate habitat opens the doors for education. Plenty of work is involved, but showing the honor and respect for these historical items is significant to the community, according to Naranjo. “A lot of these artifacts are priceless,” he said. “Educationally, tribal members will be able to see and have an understanding of what that particular item is and what it’s been used for, and who it belonged to. Everything is sacred, and we must [appreciate] that.”

Bear Dance: Student workshop



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Students from the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) show their Bear Dance skills to the Ignacio Middle School kids on Wednesday, April 22 held at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum.



SUIMA boys sing Bear Dance songs for the Ignacio Middle School, (left to right) Kyle Rima, Maynard Taylor, Kylan Velasco, and Tamarius Roland.

Bear Dance Chief Matthew Box shows the students of the Ignacio Middle School the growler. He demonstrates what it does and how it’s used; the SUIMA students later put that knowledge into action as they sang Bear Dance songs.

Bear Dance Workshop

By: Bear Dance Chief, Matthew Box
Wednesday, May 6
Sky Ute Casino Resort Events Center
11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Questions: Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator, 970-563-0100, ext. 3624



Upcoming Bear Dances & Powwows

Randlett, Utah

May 1 – 4 • Randlett Bear Dance

Ft. Dushesne, Utah

May 8 – 11 • Northern Ute Bear Dance
May 8 & 9 • Northern Ute Bear Dance Powwow

Ignacio, Colo.

May 22 – 25 • Southern Ute Bear Dance
May 22 & 23 • Southern Ute Bear Dance Powwow

Towaoc, Colo.

May 28 – June 1 • Ute Mountain Ute Bear Dance
May 28 & 29 • Ute Mountain Ute Bear Dance Powwow

White Mesa, Utah

August 28 – 31 • White Mesa Bear Dance



CULTURAL UPDATE

Cultural classes in May

- **May 3:** Finishing projects day, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **May 5 & 7:** Beaded shawl pin class, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **May 7:** Elders ribbon shirt and dress class, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- **May 12 & 14:** Shawl class, 5 – 7:30 p.m.
- **May 14:** Elders ribbon shirt and dress class, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- **May 15:** Elder Lunch, Noon – 1:30 p.m.
- **May 19:** Finish projects, 5 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Ute Language Classes**
- **Language Classes:** Givon, reading and writing Ute, Mondays, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Conversational Ute Classes:** May 4 and 18, Noon – 1 p.m.

For more info on classes call the Southern Ute Culture Dept. at 970-563-0100, ext. 2306 or 3620.

Dancers needed for two performances

There will be two powwow performances, the first performance will be Tuesday, May 12 starting at 8 a.m. for 30 minutes at the Double Tree Hotel in Durango and the second performance will be Wednesday, May 13 at the Four Corners Elder Center in Durango from 3:30-4:30 p.m. A stipend will be given to the participants. For more information or if you are interested in participating please contact Tara Vigil at the Culture dept. 970-563-0100, ext. 3624.

Finishing projects day

Sunday, May 3 is set to finish all projects, i.e., star quilts and UFO’s (unfinished objects) from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. in the Southern Ute Cultural Center’s large classroom.

Elders Luncheon for May

The Southern Ute Culture department’s Elder luncheon will be Friday, May, 15 in the Southern Ute Cultural Center’s large classroom. On the menu will be green chili stew, frybread, beans, salad and banana pudding with vanilla wafers. For more information call 970-563-0100, ext. 3620.

Bread makers wanted

The Bear Dance Chief is looking for fry bread makers for the Bear Dance Feast, which will be held on Monday, May 25. If you are interested please contact Tara Vigil at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624. All ingredients will be provided as well as a facility to cook.

Seeking Fair volunteers

The Southern Ute Culture Dept. is seeking volunteers to run the following events in the 95th Annual Southern Ute Fair: Duck Race; Pancake breakfast (non-profit organization); and Exhibit volunteers (needed to register pieces when they arrive). Categories include: Art, Crafts, Indian Crafts, Antique/Rare Arts, Photography, Clothing, Indian Clothing, Needlework, and Baking.

MUSEUM UPDATE

Attention local artisans

The Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum would like to extend an invitation to local Ute artist to come and display/sell their work in the former gift shop. The new locals Art Gallery will be used as a showcase for contemporary local Ute art and traditional Ute works. The museum is offering a venue for your work to be displayed, viewed and possibly sold. Your work will have chance to be seen by consumers from around the world, as we often have international visitors. So if you would like to reserve a place for your art in the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum new Art Gallery, please stop by to talk with an employee today!

Friends of the Museum Reward Program

Why not get rewarded twice for visiting the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum, with our FREE rewards program Friends of the Museum, you can do just that! All you have to do is ask a visitor service representative to sign you up for the FREE Friends of the Museum Rewards Program. You will receive a gift bag with some FREE goodies, we will fill out a rewards card and put it in our card file for safe keeping. Then when you come back to the Museum tell the visitor service representative that you are a rewards member, he/she will get your card out and punch it for you. Remember to tell the visitor service representative each and every time you pay for a class and or visit the Museum because the more times you come in the more rewards you receive.

- ❖ 3 punches Lip Balm with Museum Logo
- ❖ 6 punches Magnet and Stylus pen with Museum Logo
- ❖ 9 punches One FREE Workshop
- ❖ 12 punches (1) Entry for our ONE OF A KIND Pendleton Logo Blanket

Get your event noticed!

Do you have an event you want covered by the Drum?
Call 970-563-0118 or email sudrum@southernute-nsn.gov

Frost retires after 29 years



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Friday, April 24 marked an end of era. Tribal elder Dona Frost (left), employee of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for the past 29 years, bid adieu to the organization after receiving a hug from older brother Chairman Clement Frost, during a Hawaiian themed retirement ceremony held inside the Hall of Warriors. Frost spent the last 13-years serving the membership in Tribal Credit.

TRIBAL HEALTH

GoodTracks awarded Outstanding Customer Service Award

Staff Report
SU HEALTH CENTER

Jennifer GoodTracks, Therapist at Southern Ute Health Center and a Southern Ute tribal member was selected to receive an Outstanding Customer Service Award given by the Albuquerque Area of Indian Health Service.

She was nominated for this prestigious award by Ms. Lola Osawe, Tribal Health Department Director, and Dr. Mary Trujillo Young, Ph.D, Behavioral Health Manager.

Nominations were rated on the following criteria: Accessibility, Courteousness, Flexibility, Knowledge, Reliability, and Professional / Positive Attitude. This award was presented to Jennifer on Friday, April 24 at the Sandia Casino in



courtesy/SU Health Center

Jennifer GoodTracks (right), along with the Southern Ute Health Center's Behavioral Health Manager, Mary Trujillo Young, Ph.D. Appointments with these behavioral health providers can be scheduled by calling them at 970-563-4581.

Albuquerque, NM.

Ms. Osawe specifically noted Jennifer's accessibility to patients and staff, courteous and respectful attitude, being patient-focused, educating staff and patients about resources available in the communi-

ty, and being "extremely reliable, dependable, adaptable, confident, dedicated, and displays positive attitude around patients."

In June, GoodTracks will celebrate 28 years of employment at the Southern Ute Health Center.

Dance, dance, dance!



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Ballet Ignacio's opening act (left to right) Keiley Whitethunder, Leandra Litz, Jaelyn Alston, Willow Schulz, Autumn Schulz, set the bar high for the following performers during the Spring Showcase performance Sunday, April 19 at SunUte Community Center.

Little cows stormed the SunUte court during the La Plata County Mini-Cadets – ages 4 to 6 – "MOO" performance at the La Plata County Independent Youth Performing Arts' Spring Showcase.



VETERANS AFFAIRS

VA expands Choice Program eligibility

VA will determine eligibility using driving distance

By Richard Schleeter
LA PLATA COUNTY
VETERANS SERVICES

In order to expand eligibility for the Veterans Choice Program, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) today announced that it will determine eligibility for the Veterans Choice Program based on the distance between a Veteran's place of residence and the nearest VA medical facility using driving distance rather than straight-line distance. This change has been published in the Federal Register and is effective immediately.

"VA is pleased to announce the distance cal-

culation change from straight-line to driving distance for the Veterans Choice Program," said Secretary Robert McDonald. "This update to the program will allow more Veterans to access care when and where they want it. We look forward to continued dialogue with Veterans and our partners to help us ensure continued improvements for Veterans' to access care."

The change from straight-line to driving distance roughly doubles the number of eligible Veterans. Letters are being sent to the newly eligible Veterans to let them know they are now eligible for the Veterans Choice

Program under this expansion. If a Veteran does not remember receiving a Veterans Choice Card or has other questions about the Choice Program, they can call 866-606-8198.

Effective immediately, VA is also changing the mileage calculation for beneficiary travel. The change will ensure consistency in VA's mileage calculations across the two programs. The beneficiary travel calculation will now be made using the fastest route instead of the shortest route.

For more details about the department's progress and related information, see www.va.gov/opa/choiceact/factsheets_and_details.asp.

Veterans attend banquet






courtesy Rod Grove

Veterans attended the United Veterans Committee of Colorado 43rd Annual Awards Banquet in Denver, Colo. Sunday, April 19. The banquet honors veterans, legislators and other individuals and organizations for outstanding activities and accomplishments on behalf of the Colorado's veterans' community. (Left to right) Howard D. Richards Sr. – U.S. Army, Austin Box – U.S. Airforce, Ronnie Baker – U.S. Army, Rod Grove – U.S. Army, and Pete Gomez – U.S. Army.

MEMORIAL DAY 2015
Day of Remembrance

Presented by
The Southern Ute Veterans Association
in cooperation with
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe



Memorial Day: Monday, May 25, 2015
Southern Ute Veterans Memorial Park- 10 AM

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May 8, 2015

UTAH

Start: 8:00 AM
From 1 Mile East of
Utah State Line

Call for more Info:
928-221-6111

COLORADO

Start: 7:00 AM
From Visitor Center

Call for more Info:
970-564-5391
Ute Mountain
970-563-4741
Southern Ute
505-368-6300
Shiprock HPDP

ARIZONA

Start: 7:00 AM
From FCRHC
Parking lot

Call for more Info:
928-656-5300

NEW MEXICO

Start: 7:00 AM
From Beclabito
Chapter

Call for more Info:
928-656-3694



Singing songs of Spring



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Ignacio Elementary School's 2nd and 3rd grade students gave their final performance of the school year with a spring concert on Tuesday, April 28. The students sang spring-themed songs and played instruments during the concert.



Second grade students performed “Bell Horses”. They also performed a special Mother’s and Father’s Day song, and “Seeds in the Ground.”

Third grade students sang “Little Tommy Tinker,” “Seasons,” before all the students danced to “Fjaskern” and closed by singing “The Rainbow Connection” from The Muppet Movie.

Recognizing academics



Trennie Collins/SU Drum
Colton Logan, Tori Archuleta, and Rachel Cooper all 10th graders at Ignacio High School were inducted into the National Honor Society at the Academic Awards Banquet held at Ignacio Middle School on Monday, April 27.

SUNUTE UPDATE

SunUte Youth Swim Team

The SunUte swim team will meet March 3 through June 11, every Tuesday, and Thursday from 4:30 to 6 pm., except on holidays in the SunUte pool and lap lanes. Participants must have a SunUte Membership or pay a daily fee. Free for Southern Ute Tribal members. There is a USA registration fee for those swimmers who want to enter

in the swim meet in June. A \$5 fee is available to swimmers who qualify for the free lunch program. The swim team is open for ages 8-18. The swim team coach will be Rob Gram. Gram is a certified USA swim instructor. For more information contact Lisa Allen/ Aquatics Coordinator at 970-563-0214, ext. 2653 and see coach Gram for the registration form.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The Southern Ute Education Department and staff introduced a special recognition program last year, the program for the young and the talented Southern Ute students attending Ignacio public schools. The staff will recognize two students a month for all their hard work and kindness given to others. Check the Drum each month and listen to KSUT for the announcement of the next honored students as well as an interview.



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

SIE CHACKEE

My name is Sie Chackee. I attend Ignacio Middle School, where I am a 6th grader. My favorite subjects in school are, I like working on computers. My parents are Vernon and Neida Chackee. I like participating in learning new video games. In addition, I want to one day make my own video game when I grow up. I want to go to college for computer programming after high school. I have been chosen as Southern Ute Tribal Student of the Month for the month of April because I have been identified for academic achievement, good attendance and positive behavior. **Teacher comments:** Sie has shown excellent progress in his commitment to responsibility to completing his class and homework in school this year. He is a delightful person and very enjoyable to be around. He is very deserving of this award.



Mike Kirsch/SU Education

SARINA VIGIL

My name is Sarina Vigil and I am a senior at Ignacio High School. My parents are Joe and Joyce Vigil. The subjects I enjoy most in school are Science, History and English and I also participate in Volleyball and Soccer. After I graduate this year, I will be attending Johnson and Wales University in Denver. I have been selected as the student of the month because of my hard work and positive attitude. **Teacher comments:** Sarina has worked diligently this semester and has stayed focused on her goal of graduating. Her consistent efforts and good attitude has contributed to her ongoing success. It is an honor to have her as our Student of the Month.

Touring the ‘big kids’ school



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Students from the Southern Ute Head Start got a chance to familiarize themselves with the ‘big kids’ school, as they toured the Ignacio Elementary School on Wednesday, April 22. The students who toured the Elementary were assisted by 1st grade students in a few projects, giving them a chance to see what to expect next school year. The Southern Ute Montessori Head Start will be graduating on May 29, and Ignacio Elementary School will be having their Kindergarten graduation on May 13.

A few of the boys, along with other Head Start students, who will be transitioning into the Ignacio Elementary School next year, enjoy a meal before going outside to explore the playground. The students learned the ‘Bobcat’ sign and cafeteria etiquette as well as visiting the Kindergarten classrooms.



Nominations for annual Elbert J. Floyd Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the annual Elbert J. Floyd Award. Eligibility requirements for recipients of the Elbert J. Floyd Award are:

1. A member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe
2. Deserving
3. A student of any age, formally enrolled in an education program, at any level, or someone planning immediate enrollment in such a program
4. Interested in continuing his or her education
5. Interested in serving the Tribe and the community
6. Approved by the Department of Education

An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person. Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. The selection of the recipient will be made by a committee of two members consisting of the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Vice-Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This annual award is in memory of Elbert J. Floyd and is presented by Mr. Floyd’s children and grandchildren to a deserving Southern Ute Indian student. Nomination must be submitted in writing to Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department by 5 p.m. on Monday, May 4, 2015 and shall state the basis for the nomination. For more information call Ellen at 970-563-0235, ext. 2793.

EDUCATION UPDATE

Yard Sale at High School, May 2

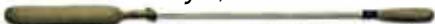
Come shop at the yard sale extravaganza Saturday, May 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Ignacio High School (old elementary school) parking lot. There will be over 10 booths to shop from.

Rocky Mountain Oyster and Catfish Fry, May 9

Ignacio FFA Booster Club will be hosting the Spring Rocky Mountain Oyster and Catfish Fry, dance and pie auction on Saturday, May 9 at Spring Creek Hall in Ignacio. Cost for dinner and dance is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children under 10. Dance only is \$5. Come and enjoy the all you can eat meal and join in the fun of some of the best pies in the area being auctioned off. Dance to the music of Mark Anderson beginning at 7:30 p.m.

4th Annual Carnival, May 11

The Ignacio School District's High Expectation Committee's (HE DIPS) 4th Annual Carnival will be Monday, May 11 at the Ignacio middle school. Come out and enjoy the carnival activities from 5 to 7 p.m. and a cupcake walk, ring toss, bouncy house, fish pond, bean bag toss, sno-cones, bingo, putting green, Knowledge Bowl, face painting and much, much more. Frito pie, corn dogs, nachos, pretzels, popcorn, pickles and drinks will be available for purchase. ALL proceeds will go toward the Veteran’s Dinner in November to pay for the community to enjoy a free meal. You won’t want to miss this exciting event. Tickets will be \$.25 each or 5 for \$1 for carnival activities and \$1 a ticket for food items. Attendance awards will be announced at 6:45 p.m.



Thanks for the books!



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Bernadine Tso's Primary Two Southern Ute Montessori class presented Tribal Council Lady Ramona Y. Eagle with a thank you card thanking her for donating books to the class. The class would also like to thank Israel Trujillo and Carol Baker Olguin for their generous donations of books to the class and school. Guides: Bernadine Tso and Glenda Richards. Students: Ava morgan, Bishop Rael-Trujillo, Catori Aasland, Cherish Price, Daya Thompson, Kandin Johnson, Karma Watts, Kielely Whitethuder, Max Veneno, Miguel Red, Paiten Tucson, Samantha Elk and Sinaav Larry.

Academy's fire safety awards



Alicia Rock



Jade Ivey



Tamarius Roland



Marcus Archuleta



Kaycee Jefferson



Dominique Rael



Avaleena Nanaeto

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students entered into an art contest by the Los Pinos Fire Department. The students were assigned to make posters about preventing fires both indoors and out. Individual grade winners included: Alicia Rock, Jade Ivey, Tamarius Roland, and Marcus Archuleta. Over-all winners included: Third place winner Kaycee Jefferson, Second Place Dominique Rael and First Place Avaleena Nanaeto.

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Practicing two-wheel safety



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Tallas Cantsee zooms past the "railroad tracks" at this year's bike rodeo held on Thursday, April 23. The railroad tracks were a new and interesting concept brought to the students from SUPD. The students loved having to maneuver around all the little cones to get through to the other side.



Ready, Set, Go... Shannon Howell eagerly waits for the stoplight to turn green at SUIMA's bike rodeo.

Riley Lang cruises her bike on the wrong side of the road on SUIMA's bike rodeo. The students got to learn which side of the road to drive your bike on along with hand signals for stop, left and right turn.

Informational lunch for students



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Sixth Year students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) were treated to a luncheon Friday, April 24 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The transitioning students were given an opportunity to ask questions of Ignacio Middle School students who transitioned from the academy last year. Ebonee Gomez (left) asked various questions about what to expect in Ignacio Middle School next year, such as "What's the dress code like?" The four students transitioning are Jawadin Corona, Ebonee Gomez, Camron Hientz and Nathaniel Howe. The SUIMA Transition ceremony will be Thursday, May 21, in the SunUte Community Center.



Southern Ute Tribal Councilman James M. Olguin spoke to those in attendance, after an introduction by SUIMA Superintendent Carol Olguin (left). Chairman Frost, and council members Ramona Y. Eagle, Melvin J. Baker and Alex S. Cloud each spoke to the students.

Nathaniel Howe, introduced his grandmother Florann Howe (left) and mother Camille Richards. Nate will be transitioning to Bayfield next year.

SUIMA's Spring Fling



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Jumping into spring! Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy School Counselor, Cheryl Binkio leads the students in the "Macarena" at this year's Spring Fling dance held in the Dining Hall on Thursday, April 16.



Jade Ivey and Kathleen Taylor are full of smiles and dance moves as they enjoy the music at their Spring Fling Dance.

Local graduations and transtitions

- **Ignacio Elementary Kindergarten:** May 13, 10 a.m., Lupe's Cafeteria
- **Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy:** May 21, 10 a.m., SunUte
- **Bayfield High School:** Sunday, May 17, 2 p.m., Bayfield High School field
- **Ignacio High School:** Saturday, May 23, 10 a.m., Ignacio High School field
- **Southern Ute Head Start:** Friday, May 29, 10 a.m., Head Start gym
- **Durango High School:** Friday, May 29, 6 p.m., Durango High School stadium



Celebrating Earth!



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Ms. Lauren Nelson's, Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy's Lower Elementary One class did there part on Earth Day, on Earth Day, April 22, making bird feeders, planting sunflowers and making art out of recyclable items. Pictured left to right: Chad Benally, Dominick Howe-GoodTracks, Tamarius Roland, Krystyn Weaver and Tallas Cantsee



Krystyn Weaver and Jaela Valasco make birdfeeders out of pinecones, peanut butter and bird feed.



Dominick Howe-GoodTracks fills his cup with fresh soil to begin planting his sunflower.

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versities of Colorado and Michigan led presentations during Friday's forum. Previous analysis of satellite data from 2003 to 2009 and the introduction of an in depth study of regional air quality were the primary topics of discussion.

"It was awesome, it was a great turnout," said Chris Ellis of the Southern Ute Air Quality team who attended Friday's forum.

"[What I really appreciated was that] they said it was for science," Ellis said.

Researchers will collect data throughout the region during the month of April using both aircraft and ground vehicles in an attempt to pinpoint sources of methane, while creating data specific to the Four Corners, which can then be analyzed alongside current satellite data.

"There is a series of studies, where we want to improve and refine that data," Eric Kort said, a climate expert with the University of Michigan.

Kort is responsible for publishing the original study on the high methane activity noted throughout the Four Corners Region.

"We find [methane levels in] the Four Corners to be 10 percent of the United States [totals]," said Kort.

"There are a range of [known] sources from the region," said Kort, "[This area is] the number one coal bed methane producer in the United States."

"The question I am really interested in is 'what else is in the air'," said Gabrielle Pétron, a climate scientist from the University of Colorado Boulder, working in NOAA's Earth System Research Laboratory.

Measuring isotopes may be the key to this, and will ultimately help us better evaluate what actions to take going forward in terms of mitigation.

"Isotopes are like fingerprints that tell us where the methane comes from," Pétron said.

"Luckily we have been



Jeremy Wade Shockley/Special to the Drum

Christian Frankenberg, a green house gas scientist working with NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, was one of the specialists on a panel of experts who presented their work during Friday's public science forum in Farmington, NM.

working with state level [organizations] and tribes to [gain better information] on the region," Pétron said.

NASA is also providing their own scientific aircraft to help with monitoring efforts in the San Juan Basin. "[We are] mapping at much finer spatial scales than satellites can do," said Christian Frankenberg, a green house gas scientist working with NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

"We will be augmenting data with additional aircraft," said Frankenberg. "We measure with hundreds of thousands of colors using high performance spectrometers."

"This is a global issue, rather than a regional issue," Frankenberg said.

The forum ended with an opportunity for an open mic question and answer session from the audience, ranging from concerned community members and public officials, along with representatives from local environmental agencies and

energy groups.

Following the forum, attendees were encouraged to inspect NOAA's ground vehicles, or NOAA Mobile laboratory's, which were parked on campus for the event. Gabrielle Pétron and Eryka Thorley, who are conducting the field samples, were also on hand to answer questions specific to the ongoing study and the state-of-the-art equipment built into the vehicles for regional data collection.

While collection of data for this specific study will be concluded by the first of May, definitive results will not be available for nearly a year.

In the months to come scientists will complete lab work, integrate data, then the results of this study will be reviewed by researchers and peers from around the scientific community before it is published.

"We are excited to find out what we learn, but it doesn't happen instantly," Kort said.

Academy cleans Scott's Pond



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum

Southern Ute Indian Montessorri Academy students helped Wildlife Technician Jon Broholm with some spring-cleaning Monday, April 20 at Scott's Pond. Staffon Olguin, (above) waters a small tree during a collaborative cleanup between the tribe's Wildlife Division and SUIMA students at Scott's Pond.



Harmony Reynolds saws away at a nub on the tree-trunk bench that could have been hazardous for pond visitors.



Avaleena Nanaeto hammers in steel rods into a tree truck that will serve as a bench for pond goers on Monday, April 20.

Environmental Programs, Wildlife Enforcement, Southern Ute Police Department, and Grounds Maintenance all assisted in the Ignacio High School on a Earth Day Cleanup of Highway 318 Tuesday, April 21.

EPA to establish commission



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

An Environmental Commission meeting was held at the Environmental Programs Division on Thursday, April 16 with the objective to oversee the development and implementation of a comprehensive and effective program for the protection of air quality throughout the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Commission is looking to establish the rules and regulations applicable to the Reservation Air Program and conduct review of appealable administrative actions. The Commission is set to include a number of six members with three appointed by Tribal Council and three appointed by the Colorado Governor, John Hickenlooper. The Commission will consist of a chairman who will be elected annually. The State of Colorado Environmental Commission will hold regular meetings and address regulations on air quality issues throughout the reservation.



TRIBAL MEMBERS
Receive 50% off whitewater raft trip fees
(AND JEEP TOURS WITH OUTLAW JEEP TOURS)

If interested contact the following companies for details or contact the Southern Ute Tribe's Division of Wildlife and ask for Josh at 970-563-0100, ext. 2412.

- Mild To Wild: 970-247-4789
- Mountain Waters: 1-800-748-2507
- Outlaw River & Jeep Tours: 970-259-1800
- Durango RiverTrippers: 970-259-0289
- Duranglers (fly-fishing guides): 970-385-4081
- Animas River Company: 970-729-0147

YOUTH COUNCIL

Your Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council

The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council were asked the following questions:

- What is your name?
- How old are you?
- What school do you attend and what grade are you in?
- What are some of your hobbies?
- What do you find most important about your culture?
- How do you think you can benefit the Youth Council?
- How do you think the Youth Council will benefit your future?

Note: Issac is Chairman, Larenz is Vice-Chairman and Lakota is the Secretary. Everyone else is a Youth Council member.



Issac Alexander Suina (Chairman)
14 years old, 9th grader at Ignacio High School.
My hobbies include soccer, listening to music, and talking to people.
I find my culture interesting because of the way we do things. What I like most about my culture is the way we speak to each other.
I think I can benefit the Youth Council by having my voice be heard and have us stand out more. The council will benefit me by making me a great speaker and also not to be quiet and not heard. I think that the Youth Council will someday help me be on Tribal Council.



Larenz Wilbourn (Vice Chairman)
12 years old, 7th grader at Bayfield Middle School.
I love playing sports and participating in traditional activities.
Having my culture continue and have other people know about it.
I think I can I benefit the Youth Council by having the children's voice heard. I think it will benefit my future by getting me into college, helping me get a good job, and will get my voice heard.



Lakota Lawrence SpottedEagle TwoCrow Collins (Secretary)
14 years old, 8th grader at Ignacio Middle School.
My hobbies that I'm currently involved with are playing the following: Violin, viano, flute, saxophone, and murrumba. I'm also involved with learning and studying the French and Dutch language.
What I find most important about my culture is sustaining the language and the Culture itself.
How I think I can benefit the Youth Council is by solving problems that may come forth, which stand in our way and to bring the present of leadership to my fellow youth members. I believe this will benefit my future by opening a door that will help guide me in the path of Politics.



Randy R. Herrera
14 years old, 7th grader at Ignacio Middle School.
Some of my hobbies that enjoy the most are football, yo-yoing, and longboarding.
The most important thing about my culture is sustaining our language.
I think I can benefit the Youth Council by providing the voice of my peers and providing an opinion to topics. I think the youth council will benefit by preparing me for meeting and jobs.




Lonicia Surena O'John
13 years old, 7th grader at Ignacio middle school.
My hobbies are drawing and playing with my dogs and hanging out with my dad.
I think my culture is important because it teaches me a lot about my people.
I think I can benefit the Youth Council by being a voice for kids. It will help me speak in front of people.




Cameron Weaver
16 years old, 10th grader at Ignacio High School.
Some of my hobbies are drawing, riding a longboard, and listening to music.
The most important thing in my culture is learning to speak the language and joining in the cultural events such as powwow's and Sundance.
I believe I can benefit the Youth Council since I know some problems in the lives of the youth. Something's I know I can benefit from the youth council is public speaking and having my voice heard.



Elijah Weaver
12 years old, 7th grader at Ignacio Middle School.
My hobby is sports. I participate in football, basketball, and baseball.
What I think is most important about our culture is the youth, and this is why I am on the SCSYAC.
I think I can benefit this council by teaching them to respect what others are saying. I think the Youth Council will help me be a better leader, not to just the youth, but also to the adults.





"Live for knowledge and always know where you come from."
- Jimmy R. Newton Jr. (1976 - 2014)




Photo: Dennis Watts/Redwood City, Dennis Watts/Redwood City, Dennis Watts/Redwood City

Jimmy R. Newton Jr.
Youth Leadership Conference
May 16, 2015
9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Ignacio Middle School
All Ignacio, Bayfield, and Durango students, ages 12-18 are invited.
Information: Mary Guenther, 970-563-0100, ext. 2791
mguenther@southernute-nsa.gov

Education hosts career fair



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum



Rebecca Hammond an Educator at Crow Canyon Archaeological Center sits ready for students to come by and visit her booth at this years Career Fair, Thursday, April 16 at the Sky Ute Casino Event Center. Crow Canyon Archaeological Center's booth had lots of information for the students including some information about summer programs and class trips.

Students from the Ignacio Middle School try on the "drunk goggles," as to display the effects alcohol have on the body.



Gathering for the 32nd year



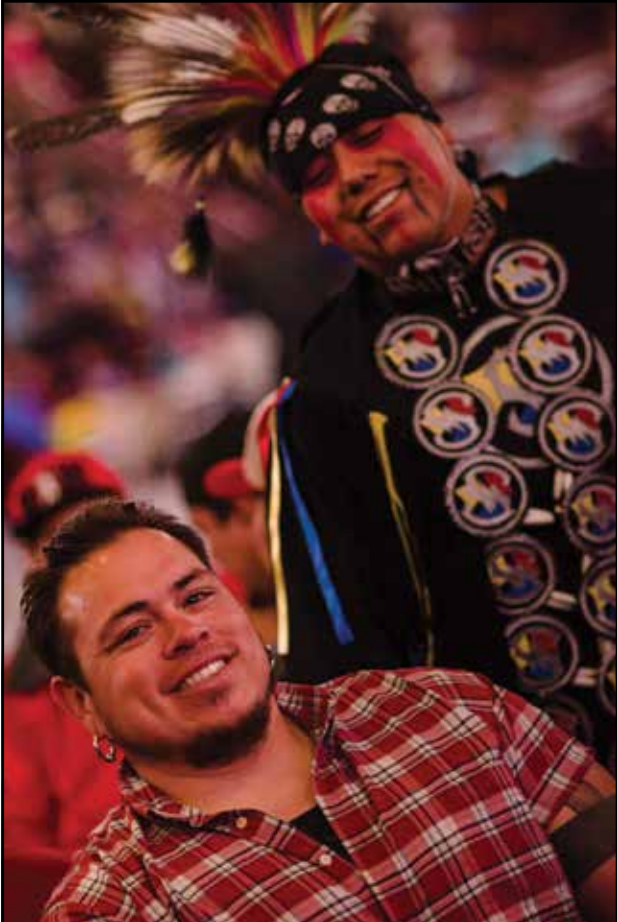
The Miss Indian World Pageant turned out as a success, enlightening audiences with the traditions of Native culture. The event was held on Thursday, April 23 at the Albuquerque Convention Center.

The Gathering of Nations Powwow made its return to Albuquerque and was once again met with success. Tribes and native people from all over America congregated at the Pit Arena on April 24 and 25 in support of native culture. The Gathering also featured the Miss Indian World Pageant, which resulted with Cheyenne Brady, from North Dakota and a member of the Sac and Fox tribe, being honored with the crown. Vendors and additional entertainment at Stage 49 were also featured.



The Gathering of Nations Powwow featured plenty of colorful regalia from tribes across the U.S.

Photos by Damon Toledo
The Southern Ute Drum



Southern Ute Councilman, Tyson Thompson, gives a smile with grass dancer, David Boyd, just as The Gathering of Nations Grand Entry is about to commence.



Hoop dancers display their talent in front of an inspiring crowd of on-lookers during the last night of The Gathering.



Powwow dancers acknowledge each tribe as they are being introduced.



The Apache Crown Dancers show their traditional dance with pride.



Aztec dancers give off their performance of pride during a warm afternoon at The Gathering. Spectators showed their support of the dance, and welcomed the group with open arms.

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ing] these issues with you in order to have an idea of where to go.”
The Southern Ute Health Center addressed one of its objectives of having the available staff in the Dental Department. The tribe declared they have hired a second full-time dentist who will assist tribal members, as well as the recruitment of a fourth dental technician to support all three dentists. In addition, Osawe addressed the vision of progress with pharmacy and patient services.
“There is lots of room for improvement,” she added. “We are aiming to get clinical pharmacists hired to help with medication management, patient education,

and follow-up.”
According to the Health Department, Tribal Council has requested a thorough revision of health care plans and will be reviewing other options within the market place. Tribal Council will be making the best decision based on the appropriate information provided.
The Southern Ute Growth Fund also addressed issues in concern of revenue loss due to lower oil and gas prices. They wanted tribal members to know that that long-term prices of oil-per barrel should recover. The Growth Fund also added in their discussion that they would be reviewing all new positions within the company as they look

at newer alternatives for financing.
The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council was also present at the general meeting. They gave personal thanks to all in attendance, as well as a special commemoration to the late chairman, Jimmy R. Newton Jr. The Youth Council invited everyone to join them at the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Leadership Conference, which will be held on Saturday, May 16 at Ignacio Middle School.
“It’s good that these youth are representing themselves,” said Chairman Frost. “The more we teach our youth, the more of a voice they’ll have as future leaders.”

Ignacio FFA Chapter presents their bi-annual

Rocky Mountain Oyster & Catfish Fry

May 9
5:30 – 11 p.m.
Spring Creek Hall
Ignacio, Colo.

Prices for dinner & dance
Adults: \$15
Child: \$10 (under 10 yrs.)
Dance only: \$5 per person

Dance featuring: Mark Anderson and The Movin’ On Band
Pie auction between dinner and dance

Serving: Rocky Mountain Oysters, Catfish, Coleslaw, Beans, Rolls, Dessert, Tea and Lemonade

Proceeds to benefit the Ignacio FFA Chapter
This is a tobacco and alcohol free event.

Positively Parenting

Join us for a FREE 8 week workshop series for parents experiencing the challenges of raising youth. Weekly series begins Tuesday, May 5 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Activity Rooms. Class is facilitated by Lillian Ramey, LCSW & Sara Hunt, LCSW, CACIII. For more information or to register contact Lillian Ramey at 970-749-4491 or Lisa Pratchett at 970-749-6704. Please let us know if you need Childcare when you register. Youth will have special cultural programming during the parent meeting time. Snacks will be provided for everyone.

‘Days of Beauty’



The Hozhoni Days Powwow featured a number of traditional dancers from across the U.S.



Little Miss Southern Ute, Tauri Raines, gives a smile during the Hozhoni Days Powwow at Fort Lewis College.

The Hozhoni Days powwow is one of the most popular and longest-running event hosted at Fort Lewis College in Durango. The powwow was held on Saturday, April 18 and displayed a plethora of tribal dancers. Southern Ute Royalty and Ute Mountain Ute Royalty were among the many attendees who came to show their heritage. Special dance contests were held and guests were treated with the engaging music of various tribal drum groups, including Yellow Jacket.



Southern Ute Tribal member, Marge Barry dances with pride during the powwow.



Southern Ute tribal members Linda Baker and Sage Rohde enjoy their time at the powwow.

Photos by Damon Toledo
The Southern Ute Drum



A young powwow dancer takes notice of the supportive crowd.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

Amendments made to the Constitution of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Constitution of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation Colorado

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation in Colorado, in order to exercise our inherent rights of self government as confirmed by the constitution and bylaws approved November 4, 1936 to administer our tribal affairs, to preserve and increase our tribal resources, do ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE I – JURISDICTION

The jurisdiction of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through its general council, its tribal council and courts, shall extend to all the territory within the exterior boundaries of the reservation, and to such other lands as may be added thereto by purchase, gift, Act of Congress or otherwise.

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe shall consist of the following:

(a) All persons duly enrolled on the 1970 tribal census roll dated August 31, 1971, approved by the Albuquerque Area Director on February 1, 1972.

(b) All children of enrolled members born subsequent to July 14, 1965, and prior to the effective date of this revision, if such children possess at least one-fourth (1/4) degree of Southern Ute Indian blood, and have not been enrolled as a member of any other Indian tribe.

(c) All children of enrolled members born subsequent to the effective date of this revision, if such children shall be one-fourth (1/4) or more degree of Southern Ute Indian blood and PROVIDED that such person shall not be included on the membership roll of any other Indian tribe and is approved for adoption by the tribal council.

Section 2. The tribal council shall have the power to enact ordinances consistent with this constitution, to govern future membership, loss of membership and the adoption of persons into the Southern Ute Tribe.

Section 3. The tribal council shall have the power to prescribe rules governing the compilation, maintenance and correction of a tribal membership roll.

Section 4. The tribal council shall have the sole authority and original jurisdiction to determine eligibility for enrollment. No decree of any non-tribal court purporting to determine membership in the tribe, paternity, or degree of Indian blood, shall be recognized for membership purposes.

ARTICLE III – GOVERNING BODY

Section 1. Name. The governing body of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation shall be known as the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council.

Section 2. Composition of the Council. The council shall be composed of seven (7) members (chairman and six (6) councilmen), all of whom shall be elected on an at-large basis for three (3) year staggered terms or until their successors are duly elected and installed. The chairman shall be elected from among candidates who specifically file for that office. Following his installation, the chairman shall appoint from within the council membership a vice-chairman to serve in that capacity at the pleasure of the chairman provided such appointment shall not extend the vice-chairman’s normal three (3) year term on the council.

Section 3. The tribal council and tribal officials incumbent on the effective date of this constitution shall remain in office and shall be entitled to exercise all powers granted by this constitution to the tribal council and tribal officials until such time as their successors are duly elected and installed pursuant to the provisions of this governing document.

ARTICLE IV – NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. The First Election. The first election under this constitution shall be held on the first Friday in November (November 7, 1975) and shall be supervised and conducted in accordance with an election ordinance enacted by the council then in office pursuant to Section 7 of this article. The position of tribal council chairman and the two (2) vacancies on the council which would occur in November, 1975 under the original constitution, shall be filled for three (3) year terms at the November 7, 1975 election. Those incumbents in the two (2) above mentioned council positions shall continue to serve until December 2, 1975 unless earlier removed from office, or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

Successful candidates for the three (3) vacant council positions (chairman and two (2) council members) and the person appointed by the chairman to serve as vice-chairman, shall be installed in office on the first Tuesday of December (December 2, 1975). Thereafter there shall be annual elections on the first Friday in November to fill for three (3) year terms, the two (2) vacancies occurring each year so as to continue the system of staggered terms of office. Every third year there shall also be elected a tribal council chairman for a three (3) year term. No person shall hold the office of Tribal Council Chairman consecutively for more than three terms.

Section 2. Terms of Office. The terms of office of the tribal council chairman and the members of the tribal council shall be

three (3) years, PROVIDED, that upon adoption and approval of this constitution the unexpired terms of the council members elected under the previous constitution shall continue until their terms expire at the end of three (3) years from the date of their installation or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

Section 3. Assumption of Office. Newly-elected members of the tribal council shall be installed in office on the first Tuesday of December after their election. Persons who are elected or appointed to fill any unexpired term on the council shall take office immediately following certification of their election or appointment.

Section 4. Voter Qualifications. Any enrolled member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, male or female, eighteen (18) years of age or over, shall be entitled to vote at any tribal election PROVIDED such person is duly registered.

Section 5. Qualification of Candidates. Candidates for membership on the tribal council shall be at least twenty-five (25) years of age at the time of election or appointment, and shall have physically resided within the present exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation for at least ninety (90) days immediately preceding their appointment or the election at which they are candidates for tribal office. No person who has been convicted of a felony shall qualify as a candidate or hold membership on the tribal council.

Section 6. Election Board. An election board, appointed by the tribal council, shall maintain a register of qualified voters, rule on the eligibility of the candidates for tribal office, settle all election disputes and supervise and administer all tribal elections in accordance with established tribal ordinances and in conformity with this constitution PROVIDED, that no member of the election board shall be at the same time a member of the tribal council or a candidate for tribal office. Persons appointed to the election board may be removed by the tribal council chairman with the concurrence of the tribal council. The election board shall choose its own chairman, vice-chairman and secretary from within its membership.

Section 7. Election Ordinance. Rules and procedures governing the elections under this constitution shall be prescribed by ordinance of the tribal council. Such ordinance shall include provisions for notice of election, secret ballots, absentee voting, registration of voters, special elections and a procedure for settling election disputes. Further, it shall contain provisions to govern the filling of unexpired terms of office pursuant to Section 5 (b) of Article V and the conduct of referendum elections as set forth in Section 3 of Article VI.



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ARTICLE V – VACANCIES, REMOVAL AND RECALL

Section 1. Removal. Any member of the tribal council or other elected official of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe who, during his term of office, is convicted of a felony in any court, shall thereupon forfeit his term of office. Any member of the tribal council or elected official of the tribe may be removed from office by the affirmative vote of not less than four (4) members of the tribal council for gross neglect of duty, misfeasance in office or for misconduct reflecting on the dignity and integrity of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, PROVIDED, that first, the accused person shall be given a written statement of the charges made against him at least ten (10) days before the meeting of the tribal council at which he is to appear, and he shall be given an opportunity to answer such charges. The decision of the tribal council shall be final.

Section 2. Recall. Any member of the tribal council or other elected official of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe shall be subject to recall from office at a special election to be called and held at the direction of the tribal council within thirty (30) days following receipt of a petition signed by at least thirty percent (30%) of the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, PROVIDED, that a majority of the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe shall vote in such election. Once a recall attempt has been concluded for any given member, it shall not be considered again until twelve (12) months have passed. No recall shall be initiated until the official has completed at least six (6) months of his term.

Section 3. Procedures. Procedures and regulations governing the conduct of recall elections and removal proceedings shall be established by ordinance of the tribal council.

Section 4. Resignation. The chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe or any member of the tribal council may, at any time, resign from the office to which he was elected by submitting a written resignation to the tribal council.

Section 5. Filling vacancies. Any vacancy in the membership of the tribal council, resulting from any cause, shall be filled:

(a) By a tribal member who meets the qualifications for that office, appointed by the chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and confirmed by a vote of not less than four (4) council members if the term of the vacant office is due to expire within six (6) months following the date upon which it becomes vacant, or

(b) At a special election to be called and held at the direction of the tribal council within sixty (60) days following the date upon which it becomes vacant if the term of the vacant office has longer than six (6) months to run. Procedures and regulations to govern such special election shall be embodied in the election ordinance.

ARTICLE VI – REFERENDUM

Section 1. Upon the receipt of a petition signed by at least twenty percent (20%) of the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, or upon the adoption of a resolution of the tribal council supported by no less than four (4) members thereof, the tribal council shall direct the election board to call and hold a special election at which the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe may vote upon any enacted or proposed ordinance or resolution of the tribal council. Such election shall be held within thirty (30) days following receipt of said petition or adoption of the foregoing resolution by the tribal council. The decision of the tribal electorate shall be final, PROVIDED, that not less than fifty percent (50%) of the registered voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe vote in such referendum.

Section 2. Limits of Referendum. No referendum shall serve to abrogate, modify or amend any properly approved contract or agreement to which the tribal council is a party. Once a referendum has been voted upon and fails, that issue shall not be considered again until twelve (12) months have passed.

Section 3. Procedures. Special elections for referendum purposes shall be held in conformity with procedures established in the election ordinance of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

ARTICLE VII – POWERS OF THE COUNCIL

Section 1. The inherent powers of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, including those set forth in Section 16 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended, shall be exercised by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council. The tribal council shall be empowered to:

(a) Regulate its own procedures by appropriate ordinance. In addition, the council may appoint subordinate boards, commissions, committees, tribal officials and employees not otherwise provided for in this constitution, and may prescribe their salaries, tenure and duties.

(b) Authorize and regulate tribal associations, corporations and subordinate organizations for economic and other purposes and transfer tribal assets thereto for management and control,

(c) Any encumbrance, sale, lease, permit, assignment, or management of any portion of the reservation, or the grant of any rights to use of lands or other assets, or the grant or relinquishment of any water or mineral rights or other natural or fiscal assets of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, are hereby reserved to the tribal council.

(d) Advise the Secretary of the Interior and heads of other Federal Agencies with regard to all appropriation estimates or Federal projects for the benefit of the Southern Ute Indians of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

(e) Enact resolutions, ordinances, and codes to protect the peace, safety, property, health and general welfare of the members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and to govern the administration of justice through the tribal courts, prescribe the powers, rules and procedures of the tribal courts in the adjudication of cases involving criminal offenses, domestic relations, civil actions and the inheritance and probate of trust, real and personal property of tribal members within the reservation.

(f) Provide by ordinances for the appointment of guardians for minors and mental incompetents.

(g) Provide by ordinance for the removal or exclusion from the reservation of any nonmembers whose presence may be found by the tribal council to be injurious to members of the tribe.

(h) Manage all funds within the control of the tribe, and may appropriate available tribal money for public, business, governmental or investment purposes.

1. Tribal funds shall be expended in conformity with annual budgets approved by the Tribal Council or its authorized representative,

2. Provisions shall be made for adequate accounting of all tribal financial transactions, including a comprehensive annual audit. An annual summary audit report showing income and expenses for the fiscal year ended, reflecting the financial condition of the tribe, shall be available to tribal members upon request. All tribal officials and employees who are directly responsible for the receipt, disbursement and custody of tribal funds shall be adequately bonded. The cost of such bond shall be paid from tribal funds.

(i) The tribal council may authorize the deposit of any tribal funds under its control, to the credit of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, without limitations on the amount carried in any account, in any bank whose deposits are insured by any agency of the Federal Government.

(j) Borrow money for business and economic development purposes.

(k) Enact resolutions, codes, and ordinances to levy and collect taxes and fees on tribal members and nonmembers.

(l) The tribal council may administer charity.

(m) The tribal council may adopt ordinances to authorize the loan of tribal funds to tribal members or tribal organizations.

(n) To protect and preserve the property, wildlife and natural resources of the tribe, and to regulate the conduct of trade and the use and disposition of tribal property upon the reservation.

(o) To employ legal counsel for the protection and advancement of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, the choice of counsel and the fixing of fees to be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, or his authorized representative, so long as such approval is required by Federal law.

(p) To enact ordinances, covering the activities of voluntary associations consisting of members of the tribe organized for the purposes of cooperation or for other purposes, and to enforce the observance of such ordinance.

(q) To establish housing and such other authorities to conduct the business of the tribe.

Section 2. Acting Chairman. In the absence of the chairman and vice-chairman, the tribal council shall by proper resolution appoint from within its membership an acting chairman, who will be given all authority of the regular chairman.

Section 3. Further Powers. The tribal council may exercise such further powers as may be delegated to or conferred upon the Southern Ute Indian Tribe by the Congress of the United States, the Secretary of the Interior or other competent authority.

Section 4. Reserve Powers and Rights. Any rights and powers heretofore vested in the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation but not expressly referred to in this constitution shall not be abridged by this article, but may be exercised by the members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through the adoption of appropriate amendments to this constitution.

Section 5. Approval of Council Enactments. Every resolution or ordinance passed by the tribal council shall, before it becomes effective, be presented to the chairman for approval within five (5) days following the date of its passage. If he approves, he shall sign it within ten (10) days following its receipt by him and take such further action as may be necessary. If he does not sign an enactment of the tribal council, it shall not become effective and he shall, at the next regular meeting of the tribal council following its submittal to him for signature, return it to the council with a statement of his objections. It shall, thereafter, not become effective unless it is again approved by five (5) of the six (6) tribal council members.

ARTICLE VIII – LAND

The reservation land now unallotted shall remain tribal property and shall not be allotted to individuals in severalty, but assignment of land for private use may be made by the tribal council in conformity with ordinances which may be adopted on this subject, PROVIDED, the vested rights of members of the tribe are not violated.

ARTICLE IX – MEETING OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL

Section 1. First Meeting. At the first meeting following installation of newly-elected council members, the carry-over members shall see that new members have a correct and clear understanding of the constitution, the management of tribal and reservation affairs and the rules governing the conduct of the council.

Section 2. Regular Meeting. The regular meetings of the council shall be held on a date decided on at a previous meeting of the council, but meetings shall be held every two (2) weeks.

Section 3. Special Meetings. The chairman shall call a special meeting of the council whenever necessary or at the request of four (4) or more councilmen. Notice of such special meeting shall be given to every member of the tribal council as promptly as possible.

Section 4. Agenda and Quorum. Matters of business before the tribal council shall be decided by majority vote of a quorum present. Any four (4) of the seven (7) council members shall constitute a quorum. In the absence of the chairman and the vice-chairman, the remaining members of the tribal council may appoint an acting chairman as provided in Article VII, Section 2.

ARTICLE X – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The chairman shall preside over meetings of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and shall perform all duties of a chairman and exercise any authority given him by the tribal council. He shall vote only in case of a tie.

(a) The chairman shall appoint all non-elective officials and employees of the executive department of the tribal government and shall direct them in their work, subject only to applicable restrictions embodied in this constitution or in enactments of the tribal council establishing personnel policies or governing personnel management.

(b) The chairman, subject to the approval of the tribal council, may establish such boards, committees or subcommittees as the business of the tribal council may require and may serve as an ex-officio member of all such committees and boards.

(c) The chairman shall serve as contracting officer for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe executing all contracts and agreements to which the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is a party following approval by the tribal council.

(d) The chairman shall have power to veto all enactments of the council as provided in Section 5 of Article VII of the constitution.

(e) The chairman shall direct the preparation of the annual budget of the tribe and its presentation to the tribal council.

(f) The chairman may represent the tribe in negotiations with non-tribal organizations, agencies and branches of government.

(g) The chairman shall direct the tribal police to assure the enforcement of ordinances of the tribal council.

Section 2. Vice-Chairman. In the absence of the chairman, the vice-chairman shall preside and shall have all powers, privileges, duties and responsibilities of the chairman.

(a) The vice-chairman shall function as chairman of the tribal council in the absence or at the direction of the chairman.

(b) The vice-chairman shall perform such other duties as directed by the chairman.

Section 3. Treasurer. The treasurer and assistant treasurer of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe shall be appointed by the tribal council. The treasurer and assistant treasurer may be removed by the chairman with the consent of the majority of the total membership of the tribal council.

(a) The treasurer shall accept, receipt for, keep and safeguard all funds under the exclusive control of the tribe by depositing them in a bank insured by an agency of the Federal Government, or in an individual Indian Money account as directed by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council, and shall keep an accurate record of such funds. The treasurer shall make or authorize disbursement from funds under his control only as authorized in the approved annual budget of the tribe or by special action of the tribal council. He shall report on all receipts and expenditures and upon the amount and nature of all funds in his custody to the tribal council at regular meetings and at such other times as requested by the tribal council.

(b) All checks shall be signed by the treasurer or assistant treasurer. Vouchers shall be approved for payment in accordance with a resolution to be adopted by the tribal council.

(c) The treasurer and assistant treasurer shall be bonded as provided in Section 1(h) 2 of Article VII of the constitution.

ARTICLE XI – RESTRICTION ON VOTING OF COUNCILMEN

In cases where a conflict of interest exists for a given council member, on any question before the council, that person shall not vote on such matters without the consent of all the remaining council members.

ARTICLE XII – CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This constitution may be amended at an election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior where required by federal law:

(a) Whenever, by favorable vote of at least four (4) members of the tribal council, the governing body of the tribe shall authorize the submission of a proposed amendment to the electorate of the tribe, or

(b) Whenever a minimum of twenty percent (20%) of the registered voters of the tribe, by signed petition, shall request such amendment.

Section 2. If, at such election, the amendment is adopted by majority vote of the registered voters of the tribe voting therein, and if the number of ballots cast represents not less than thirty percent (30%) of the registered voters, such amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior where required by federal law and, if approved by him, it shall thereupon take effect.

ARTICLE XIII – SAVING CLAUSE

All ordinances and resolutions heretofore enacted by the tribal council of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that they are consistent with the constitution.

ARTICLE XIV – GENDER

Whenever necessary, words used in this constitution in the masculine gender shall whenever appropriate be construed to read in the feminine gender.

ARTICLE XV – ADOPTION OF CONSTITUTION

This constitution when adopted by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, voting at a special election authorized by the Secretary of the Interior, in which at least thirty percent (30%) of those entitled to vote shall vote, shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval where required by federal law and shall be in force from the date of such approval.

APPROVAL

I, Morris Thompson, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, by virtue of the authority granted to the Secretary of the Interior by the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended, and delegated to me 230 DM 1.1, do hereby approve the Constitution of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, Colorado.

Morris Thompson
Commissioner of Indian Affairs
Washington, D.C.
Date: October 1, 1975

Ignacio, Colorado
September 26, 1975

Commissioner
Bureau of Indian Affairs
U.S. Department of the Interior
1951 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Certificate of results of election pursuant to an election authorized by the Secretary of Interior on August 13, 1975 was submitted to the qualified voters of the tribe and was on September 26, 1975 duly adopted by a vote of 92 for and 55 against in which at least 30 percent of the 268 members entitled to vote cast their ballots in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), as amended by the act of June 15, 1935 (49 Stat. 378).

Raymond J. deKay, Superintendent
Chairman, Election Board
Southern Ute Agency
Ignacio, Colorado

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

In those cases in which a child's parents are an enrolled member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and a non-member, only the Southern Ute Blood of the enrolled Southern Ute parent may be considered in determining the child's Southern Ute Blood Quantum.

August 27, 1991

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

I, Sidney Mills, Area Director, Albuquerque Area Office, by virtue of the authority granted to the Secretary of the Interior by the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984) as amended, and delegated to me by 230 D.M. 3.1, do hereby approve amendment of Article II, Section 1(c) to the tribal Constitution of the Southern Ute Tribe, PROVIDED, that nothing contained in this approval shall be construed as authorizing any action under the Constitution that would be contrary to federal law.

Sidney L. Mills
Area Director

August 16, 1991
U.S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Indian Affairs

CERTIFICATE OF RESULTS OF ELECTION

Pursuant to a Secretarial Election authorized by the Area Director on May 23, 1991, under the authority delegated, the attached Constitutional Amendment of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe was submitted to the qualified voters of the Southern Ute Tribe and on August 16, 1991, was duly PASSED by a vote of 142 for and 95 against and 3 cast ballots found spoiled or mutilated in an election in which at least 30 percent of the 671 members entitled to vote, cast their ballot in accordance with 25 U.S.C. Sec. 476.

Eileen Candelaria, Chairman
Secretarial Election Board
Southern Ute Agency
Ignacio, Colorado

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IHS SOCCER

Soccer’s steam cools in Alamosa

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

No high-performance vehicle’s fuel tank is bottomless. And unfortunately what little juice remained from the previous day’s full-throttle effort wasn’t enough to power the Lady Bobcats up to the pace of Alamosa on Friday, April 24. Still in the San Luis Valley after playing at 3A/2A Southwestern League rivals Center the afternoon before, Ignacio couldn’t match the Mean Moose on their turf pitch in a 10-0 loss, improving AHS to 10-2, 10-1 in the SWL. Senior forward Tayleur Hillis scored four goals, freshman Katelyn Gallegos netted three, and seniors Taylor Nye and Marissa Imre each marked once – as did junior Darby Bolt – to give junior Sara Berlinger all the leeway a goalkeeper could ever want. It was a luxury that neither IHS’ Krissy Velasquez nor CHS’ Jacey Dillion enjoyed during a sunny, but wind-chilled clash upon grassy Viking Field at Center Community Park. Hosting the Lady Cats for Senior Day – six were hon-



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Ignacio head coach Oscar Cosio diagrams his lineup prior to facing Center away on Thursday, April 23. Peeking in on the scheme is Lady Bobcat Chloe Velasquez (15). ored at halftime – Center pressured from the outset and striker Mariela Hernandez netted the all-important first goal in only the fifth minute. Capitalizing on their abundant personnel, the

white-and-blue cashed goal number two in the 12th when forward Faith Stults was able to break in and shoot past Velasquez. Veera Hurttia, an exchange

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IHS TRACK

Track attacks Aztec’s B&B

By Joel Priest
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Solidifying his status as Ignacio High’s lead sprinter this spring, and atoning for his absence at the IHS-hosted 2A/1A San Juan Basin League Championships three days earlier, senior Mike Perez performed as he would have likely expected at the April 24-25, 2015, Aztec (N.M.) B&B Portable Firefighting Units Invitational. Having qualified fourth overall in the 400-meter dash with a day one 53.62-second time, Perez stomped on the proverbial

gas pedal on day two, trimmed his time to 51.82 and finished behind only Trayer Martinez (51.68) of the event-hosting, Class 5A Tigers. 5A Farmington (N.M.) Piedra Vista’s Jacob Brown was third in 52.69. But odd as it may seem, Perez’s work was not the Bobcats’ top individual effort at the 19-team event. That distinction went to senior Kyle Bailey, whose 6’0” best in a head-to-head high jump-off on day one bettered 5A Farmington, New Mexico’s Chayton Salcido for first place. 3A Pagosa Springs’ Ben Miller outdid 3A Bayfield’s Conner

Kennedy at 5’8” for third. The Lady Bobcats’ top result was junior Chrystianne Valdez’s seventh-place 7’9” pole vault on day one which, in a vault-off, bettered the same height of FHS’ Emilee Herman and BHS’ Maddi Foutz. The girls’ 4x100-meter relay (Keli Baker, Sky Cotton, Isis Gonzales and Jaylynn Herrera) was tenth in 56.16 seconds, Azala Perez was 11th in the 100m prelims (13.91s), and Gonzalez was 17th in the 400m prelims (1:08.73).

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‘Shooting Stars’ take gold



courtesy Erika Atencio

The Shooting Stars girls basketball team took first place in the 6th grade girls division at Ft. Lewis College’s MAYB Basketball Tournament April 25-26. Coaches Adam Tucson (left) and Travis Nanaeto (right) flank the back row (left to right) Schelci Gosney, Alancia Herrera, Cienna Harrison, Ebonne Gomez and Charlize Valdez. (Front row) Monika Lucero, Paiten Tucson, Jayden Brunson, Avaleena Naneto and Laci Brunson.

IHS BASEBALL

Bobcats dig deep on diamonds away

IHS pressures top-ten opposition

By Joel Priest
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

With a quality 6-3 defeat of tenth-ranked [CHSAANow.com Class 1A poll, released April 20] Dove Creek, on the road in 2A/1A San Juan Basin League play no less, IHS Baseball appeared to have taken the “step forward” head coach Bert Miller had long been talking about and searching for.

Three days later on Saturday, April 25, SJBL powerhouse Nucla – the aforementioned weekly statewide rankings’ No. 8 squad – pressured the Bobcats into taking two steps back. But only ‘baby’ steps, blasted by NHS by 13 runs at sun-soaked SunUte Field just over a week before, Ignacio built off senior Iaasic Peña’s pitching against the Bulldogs to rein in the Mustangs within their own rain-ravaged, West End (so called in Montrose County) confines despite losing 6-5 and 5-3.

Peña led the way offensively against not only Nucla but also Mother Nature with four runs batted in and cracked four singles on the day. He was also hit squarely in the helmet by a Graden Steffan pitch in the top of the sixth inning of game one, but trotted down to first base and later scored IHS’ third run – giving the Cats a brief 3-2 advantage before an RBI-single by Steffan in the home half pulled the Mustangs even.

Peña answered in the top of the seventh with a two-out RBI-single to plate Tucker Ward (1-3, BB, 2 R in Game 1) and then scored on Austin McCaw’s subsequent single to left.

NHS shortstop Clint Watt led off the bottom of the seventh tripling to center and later scored on a delayed double-steal (Mason Riddle, who’d walked, drew the catcher’s throw while swiping second), and Nucla again tied the score when Riddle scored from third on a fielder’s-choice grounder off leadoff man Devyn Rummel’s stick.

On the mound for a second frame in relief of Ward (ND, 5 IP, 5 H, 2 R, 1 ER, 5 BB, 4 K), Peña (ND, 2 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 3 BB, 2 K) managed to get both Steffan and 3-man Caden Colson to pop up to second baseman Timmy Plehinger and send the game into extra innings.

Deciding to pull Steffan (ND, 7 IP, 4 H, 5 R, 2 ER, 3 BB, HB, 7 K) in favor of right-fielder Tim Armin-



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Ignacio catcher Nathan Atencio (7) tries receiving – unsuccessfully, as it turned out – a throw to the plate, in hopes of retiring Nucla’s Mason Riddle during Game 1 of the teams’ April 25 doubleheader at Mustang Field.

trout (W, IP, 0 H, 0 R, 3 K), Mustang boss Clint Wytulka clearly hoped for a swift set-down of Ignacio’s tail-enders and got it when Armintrout struck out Juanito Medina looking, got Zach Weinreich swinging and froze Plehinger to escape unscathed...and then drew a walk starting the bottom of the eighth.

Medina (L, 0.1 IP, 2 BB, K) then fanned 5-man Lane Sutherland, but after Armintrout stole second during Sutherland’s AB, Miller elected to intentionally walk Watt (2-3, BB, R) and instead face the 0-for-3 Riddle with a potential inning-killing double play at stake.

Armintrout, however, didn’t let that possibility arise and took off on a surprise attempt at third, reaching safely and then bringing in the winning run when the hurried throw to the base went into left field.

Some heads drooped and some tempers flared, but taking heed to assistant coach Clay Miller’s reinforcement that they had indeed played a strong game in enemy territory – “This is baseball!” he said as players filed out through the gate for a hard-earned break – the Bobcats (3-12, 1-6 SJBL) regrouped to again hunt the Mustangs and nearly devour a 4-1 deficit facing them after the first frame of Game 2. Steffan, Colson, Watt and Armintrout all reached and

scored off McCaw, while Ward touched the plate on a full-count hit by Peña after Armintrout K’d leadoff man Tyler Beebe and 2-man Rain Rosa.

But as McCaw and, later, Medina both settled in up on the rubber, Nucla (5-2 SJBL, overall record incomplete) managed just four base-runners before batting in the home half of the fifth – after Ward had again scored on a Peña knock to cap a two-run rally, cutting NHS’ lead down to 4-3.

With lightning lurking within the day’s second storm coming in from the west, the pressure was on both sides to complete as many innings as possible before conditions deteriorated beyond repair, and Nucla managed to scratch out a key insurance run in the bottom of the fifth.

Medina then struck out starting the guests’ sixth, but Plehinger singled to keep IHS’ hopes alive.

Unfortunately fate had other ideas, the 8-9 spots in the order were unable to bump him around and the contest was called after 5½ finished innings with McCaw taking the loss.

IHS wraps up the regular season on Saturday, May 2, with a doubleheader at SunUte (starting 1:00 p.m.) versus SJBL rivals Dolores (7-6, 5-2), and Tuesday the May 5 with a 3 p.m. non-leaguer at 3A Pagosa Springs.

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BP San Juan: Flying over pipelines beginning May 11

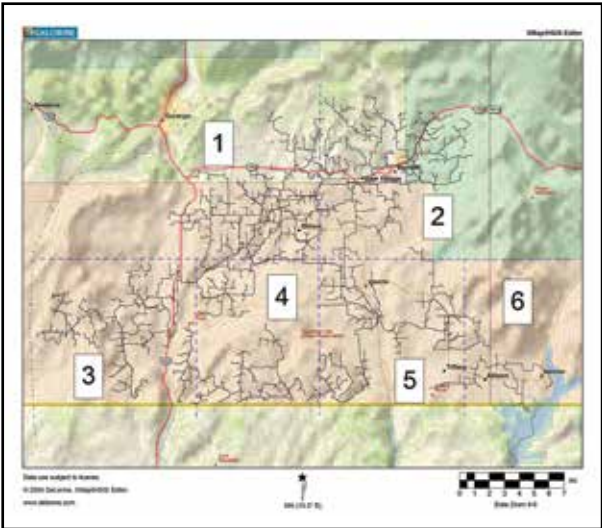
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This information is critically important for local agencies, BP field personnel and BP Dispatch's awareness of our aerial leak detection survey and possible concerned phone calls from the public. Attached is a flight area reference map if needed.

Beginning Monday May 11, about mid - morning, we will begin surveying BP's pipelines via a helicopter equipped with a leak detection system. In addition to identifying any possible leaks, the crew will also be searching for other pipeline integrity issues within our pipeline Rights of Way including pipeline wash-outs, ground disturbance, and other unusual activity near our lines. This task will continue for about 10-14 days.

Each day's documented flight plan will be subject to change due to weather. Therefore, BP SJN Dispatch, LaPlata County Emergency and Southern Ute Tribal Police will be notified daily of our flight plan for their use in receiving calls from land-owners or others.

In addition, local newspapers will begin printing a public notice of this activity beginning the first weekend in May. The survey will also cover some of Red Cedar pipelines which will be sched-



uled to take place after all BP pipelines are flown. Red Cedar will be handling notifications when the surveys include only their lines. Ritchie Hart will notify BP Dispatch of this when BP's aerial survey work is complete.

The company doing this task for us is LASEN Airborne LIDAR Pipeline Inspection Service

The crew is familiar with wildlife and livestock in the area and their habits. They have promised to stay away from these issues as needed.

We will be meeting with

the crew before flights begin on May 11 to stress our concerns about this subject as well as ensuring they will not hover in place when close to residential areas or fly too low when livestock or wildlife is spotted.

With this information you now have a description of our aerial survey plan.

Please document all received phone calls and provide any information requiring our follow-up to one of the following: Ritchie Hart at 970-749-7421 or Hal Koenig, BP Security at 970-769-1523.

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THE COMMUNITY VOICE



Museum holds Bear Dance workshop

On April 8 and 10 the Bear Dance Chief, Matthew Box and the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum (SUCCM) held a growler workshop. The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy (SUIMA) was invited to hear information about the mens' role in the Bear Dance from Matthew Box. SUIMA youth also got to help design growlers and watch them being constructed. The boys all took home a growler that they can use to participate in their cultural heritage.

Following the growler workshop, on April 22, the boys and girls from SUIMA helped introduce a piece of Ute culture to the local youth (K-5, middle school) at a recent Beardance workshop for the Ignacio School district. The Ignacio Schools Beardance workshop was designed in an effort to inform community youth about the local tribe/culture, and to hopefully break down some of the barriers that exist between tribal and non-tribal peoples.

The Bear Dance Chief gave a general

overview of Bear Dance and SUIMA youth demonstrated the dance as well as singing with their newly made growlers. The dance demonstration ended with various local youth (tribal and non) dancing on the museum grounds together!

The SUCCM would like to thank the following people and entities for making possible the SUIMA boys Bear Dance growler workshop, and the Ignacio School District Bear Dance Workshop:

- Tribal Elder, Ula Gregory
- Southern Ute Beardance Chief, Matthew Box
- Southern Ute Construction Services, Walter Reynolds and Tim Ryder
- Lewis Mercantile of Bayfield
- Walker's Do It Best of Ignacio
- So. Ute Indian Montessori Academy

Thank you again to our supporters as your contributions have emerged into other workshops for the community.

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Correction

In a photo and article published in the April 17 issue of the Drum, "Help Preserve the Language," Rylan Herrera's name was misspelled.

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Bacon & Sausage

Country Grilled Potatoes

Green Chili & Pinto Beans

Honey Glazed Baby Carrots

Endless Mimosa Bar

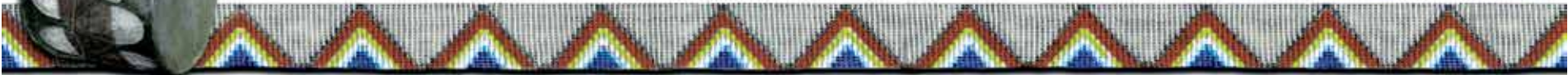
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NOTICE OF DRAFT

Title V Operating Permit and Request for Comment

Notice is hereby given that an operating permit application has been submitted to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Environmental Programs Division's Air Quality Program, P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colo., 81137, for the following source of air pollution:
Applicant: Samson Resources Company
Facility: Spring Creek Compressor Station
Section 23, T33N, R7W, 3.5 miles southeast of Ignacio, Colo. This source is a natural gas compression facility
The Air Quality Program (AQP) has prepared the draft operating permit based on the information submitted by the applicant. The draft permit and accompanying statement of basis are available on the AQP's website at <http://www.southernute-nsn.gov/environmental-programs/air-quality/air-permitting/>, and at the Environmental Programs Division office at 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio CO, 81137 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit and request a hearing. Written comments and requests for hearings may be sent to the AQP in care of Mark Hutson, Acting Air Quality Program Manager, at P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colorado 81137, or emailed to mhutson@southernute-nsn.gov. Any hearing request should: 1) identify the individual or group requesting the hearing, 2) state his or her address and phone number, and 3) state the reason(s) for the request. Notice of any public hearing will be provided at least 30 days in advance of the hearing. The AQP will consider the written public comments and requests for a hearing that are received within 30 days of this notice. Any interested person may contact Mark Hutson of the AQP at 970-563-4705 to obtain additional information.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Roadway Construction Services For SU 106-End of Trail Road

Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Construction & Project Management Dept.
P.O. Box 737
116 Memorial Drive
Ignacio, CO 81137
970-563-0138
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Roadway Construction Services for SU 106-End of Trail Road. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 PM MDT, on April 27, 2015. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov. There will be a Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference located at 356 Ouray Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137, followed by a site visit on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 2 PM The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. TERO information, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

LAND FOR SALE

Attention tribal members/employees

Tribal members & employees! Get to work in 5 minutes from this 16 irrigated acres on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe reservation, 4 easy miles north from Ignacio off CR 514, one full irrigation water share from the King Ditch, south sloping land growing hay, average 650 bales one cutting, w/pond, electricity at property line, entirely fenced, private, excellent access road, asking price has been significantly reduced to sell at \$150K. Financing may be available with 35% down payment at 5% APR to a qualified buyer. If interested please call Steve Williams 970-884-1326 or email questions to ljmforever53@gmail.com for more details.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Long Range Transportation Plan update 2015 & Tribal Transportation Safety Plan

You are invited to a Tribal Membership meeting. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is working with local stakeholders, agencies, and the Tribal Membership to improve transportation safety and efficiency on Reservation lands through 2025. Anyone interested in learning about or providing input into the development of these plans on May 12 from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility, 248 Ute Road, Ignacio. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is working to update their Long Range Transportation Plan and to prepare a Transportation Safety Plan. These plans will analyze issues of safety, traffic volume, road use, access, pedestrian and bicycle traffic, and other transportation concerns. Please join us on May 12, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. to learn more about the planning process and to share your concerns about transportation issues on the reservation. If you have questions, call the Tribal Planning Department at 970-563-4947. For more information contact Mr. Edward Box III, 970-563-0100 ext. 2272, ebbox@southernute-nsn.gov.

PUBLIC NOTICE, TO GENERAL PUBLIC

Unauthorized grazing on Tribal lands

It is illegal to graze unauthorized livestock on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The Southern Ute Indian tribe shall continue to strictly enforce Title 18 of the Southern ute Tribal Code and applicable federal regulations which prohibit trespass by livestock and the running-at-large of livestock on Tribal lands. Violators of Title 18 of the Southern Ute Tribal Code are subject to civil penalties and fines up to \$1000, impoundment of livestock and all impoundment costs. In addition, violators may be subject to actual and punitive damages and injunctive relief.
If you have livestock trespassing on Southern ute Indian Tribal lands, you have until **MAY 18, 2015** to contact Southern Ute Animal Control to claim/gather said trespass livestock and pay any associated fines. After this date and time the Tribe will take all necessary action to ensure the protection of the reservation and its natural resources, including those actions authorized by the Tribe's Constitution and Code. You may contact Southern Ute Animal Control at 970-563-0133.
Signed by Pearl E. Casias, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, June 9, 2011.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

Tribal Credit Committee Vacancy

The Southern Ute Tribal Credit Committee has an opening for a member. The Credit Committee members must be 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass a criminal background and reference checks. The term may be for a three (3) year period. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the committee are urged to submit a letter of interest to Andi Cook-Hiett in Human Resources. Open until filled. Duties of the Credit Committee listed below.

- Approve loans as required by the Declaration
- Monitor compliance with Declaration
- Monitor approved loan performance
- Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations
- Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business
- Hold monthly regular meeting and other special meetings as necessary
- Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff

JOHNSON O'MALLEY

Committee Vacancies

There are two vacancies on the Johnson-O'Malley committee. If you are interested in becoming a committee member please submit a letter to the Ellen Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department. This is a volunteered position and JOM only meets once a month on first Monday at 5:30 p.m. If you need any more information contact Ellen Baker at the Education Department, 970-563-0235, ext. 2793 or email esbaker@southernute-nsn.gov. To be eligible:

1. You must have a student enrolled with Ignacio or Bayfield School District K-12.
2. You student must be eligible for the Johnson-O'Malley program with proper documentation on file with the Education Department (Ellen Baker).
3. Open to Native American parent or legal guardianship of a Native American that is enrolled with the two school districts.

ETHICS OFFICE

Alternate Member-at-Large Vacancy

The Ethics Office is accepting letter of interest from tribal members to fill a vacancy for "Alternate Member-At-Large" position on the Ethics Committee. Qualifications are as follows:

- Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe
- Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality
- Have a familiarity with tribal government
- Be of good character, active, conversant with proven responsibility in tribal community affairs.

The Ethics Committee meets on an Ad Hoc basis and members that are NOT otherwise employed with the tribal organization are compensated at a rate of \$100 per half day. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice & Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or in person at the Justice Center, 71 Mike Frost Way by May 29, 2015. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

PLAY 4 GAMES OF CHANCE TO WIN YOUR SHARE!

Earn entry tickets all month long and join us every Saturday in May for game show fun. Winners will be drawn every hour from 5PM-9PM. Each winner will play 3 games and then decide to walk away or risk it all for an envelope of cash up to \$1,000!

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GAME 2

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GAME 3

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Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements

Please visit our webiste at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp to view job details and to apply online.
Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024.
Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

Royalty Auditor – GF Department of Energy (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 5/15/15
Performs audits of Southern Ute Tribal oil and gas royalties.

Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Visit our website at www.skyutecasino.com to view job openings and apply online.
Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137
TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome
Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

Café Cashier-Shining Mountain (Full-time)
Closing date 5/4/15

Taking guests food orders, accurately totaling food and beverage purchases and collecting payments. Assists in preparing and serving any and all foods necessary for the Cafe kitchen. Cashier prepares ala carte food products from the hot food line in the front area of the Café. Cashier will balance the register at end of the shift, with proper reporting of discrepancies and complete paperwork. High School diploma/equivalency. 18 years old+. 1 year of cashiering and food service experience. Must have a point-of-sale cash register experience.

***Network Administrator (Full-time)**

Closing date 5/8/15
Provides Local Area Network (LAN) and System administration, maintenance and support for all Casino customers. 21 years old+. Bachelor’s Degree in Computer Science or related field AND 1 year experience in LAN/Systems Administration, OR 4 years experience in LAN/Systems administration. Must have 4 years experience in the management and administration of network operating systems, including Windows Server 2003 through 2012, and Windows 7. Must have 2 years experience in LAN device installations, configurations, and maintenance, including Cisco switches, routers, and firewalls. Cisco and Microsoft certification preferred. Prefer experience with Microsoft Exchange Server and System Center Configuration Manager.

***Night Auditor (Full-time)**
Closing date 5/6/15

Provides outstanding customer service to internal and external customers, promotes the Casino hotel to the guest throughout all stages of the guest’s stay. Answering phone calls, assisting guests with questions regarding Casino services, taking reservations and charging for services. High School Diploma/equivalency. 21 years old+. Must have 6 months previous experience in motel or hotel operation as front desk or night auditor. Strong computer skills required, knowledge of hotel program software preferred.

***Security Officer (Full-time)**

Closing date 5/4/15
Ensures that all company policies and internal control procedures are followed. Guest and employee safety on property. The first identifiable representatives of the Casino whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. Must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. High School diploma/equivalency. 21 years old+. Must have a valid driver’s license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have 2 years minimum experience in law enforcement, security or related field. Must acquire First Aid/CPR training within the first year of employment.

**Must be at least 21 years old.*

Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the HR website at www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations. Applicants and employees, please be sure the Human Resources Department has your current contact information on file.
ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE.
Human Resources Department: P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137
Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777
Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

Clinic RN

Closing date 5/4/15
Registered Nurse, providing professional and clinical services. Pay grade 21; \$25.66/hour.

Advanced Practice Nurse
Closing date 5/5/15

Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventive and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Clinical Director. Will have access to the family practice physicians and clinical director for consultation and referrals.

Police Sergeant
Closing date 5/6/15

Coordinates the efforts of the officers and dispatchers to achieve the objectives of the Police Department and in the absence of the Police Lieutenant will command the Southern Ute Police Dept. Pay grade 20; \$23.01/hour.

Detention Sergeant
Closing date 5/11/15

Under general supervision of the Detention Lieutenant, assist in the planning, organizing, and reviewing administrative and staffing functions and activities in the Detention Division. Pay grade 19; \$20.64/hour.

Boys & Girls Club Aide (Part-time)

Closing date 5/11/15
Assists in the implementation and supervision of activities provided within the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) program. Pay grade 12; \$11/hour.

Coordinator of Health Nutrition and Safety
Closing date 5/15/15

Providing an overall health services program, and addressing the physical health and welfare of all students at the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy. Coordination with other tribal and community resources to insure awareness of health, nutrition and safety is required. Pay grade 20; \$47,868/annual.

Director of Investment - Permanent Fund Endowment
Closing date 5/18/15

Plans and provides general direction to the conduct of the Permanent Fund Endowment which include the care and custody of funds and other financial assets, money manager selection and evaluation through consistent communication and due diligence review. Management of the Permanent Fund Endowment Asset Allocation in collaboration with the Tribe’s investment advisors. Management of investment staff. Pay grade 28; \$116,953/annual.

SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY

Recording Secretary Trainee

Closing date 5/8/15
Trainee position for an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member. Will learn to take minutes and transcribe both regular and special council sessions, to also include Council work session notes and provide support to the Office Manager of the Tribal Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Tribal Council. Will start at 10% below entry level for a grade 15 and receive quarterly evaluations.

**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE
Gaming Commission Logo Contest**

The Commission seeks entries from enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members who may wish to participate in assisting the Gaming Commission towards this much-needed logo project. The logo should encompass the integrity and commitment the Gaming Commission adheres too, in its function as a Tribal Regulatory Agency, while honoring the Southern Ute Tribal People. The Southern Ute Gaming Commission will choose the logo that best represents them and present it for approval before the Southern Ute Tribal Council. Participants may submit up to two logos, on an 8”x11” sheet of white paper and recognize after a logo has been chosen, it will become the property of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Participants should consider the logo will be reduced at times and should still remain visible with some clarity. The winner of the contest will receive public recognition and \$200 dollars. The deadline for submitted logos will be June 12, at 5 p.m. and may be submitted to the Southern Ute Division of Gaming office located in the Justice and Regulatory Building. Southern Ute Tribal employees of the Division of Gaming and members of the Gaming Commission are precluded from participation in the Logo Contest.



Jeremy Wade Shockley | Southern Ute Drum

Your input is needed! Our club Board of Directors create its vision, plan programs, develop funding and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community’s youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization. There are open positions for tribal or community members with financial and/or leadership experience.

Applications are available at www.bgcsu.org

For more information please contact Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CPO, at (970) 563-0100 x 2694



**BRUNOT RARE
GAME PERMITS**

The Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Resource Management will be

accepting Brunot rare game applications through the month of May.

The drawing will be held in June.

Available Permits

- 2 Bighorn Sheep**
- 2 Mountain Goat**
- 1 Moose**

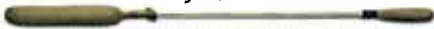


Please contact SUIT Wildlife for more information or stop by the office to apply
(970)563-0130

**ATTENTION
SOUTHERN UTE
TRIBAL
MEMBERS**

**Sky Ute Casino Resort
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May 7th from 1PM–3PM
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Soccer team cools • from page 12

student from Finland, then drilled a left-footed shot from the elbow of Ignacio's 18-yard box and perfectly into the 'upper 90' over Velasquez's left shoulder for a 3-nil advantage in the 18th. But abruptly, that was all the scoring either side would enjoy.

Lady Viking seniors Melissa Jimenez, Kaylie Kenison, Sayra Lozano, Melizza Echeverria and Liliana Chaparro (Megan McKibbon was absent, but similarly recognized) were saluted at intermission, but despite a crazy number of second-half tries none

found the net as Velasquez saved practically anything within reach and finished the match with an incredible 29 total stops.

CHS, which lost Chaparro to a red card in the 79th minute when she secured IHS' Tristan Boone in a headlock and was prepared to deliver damage (Boone was shown a yellow, but still removed by head coach Oscar Cosio as a further precaution against retaliation), let fly a ridiculous 46 shots in all, with 33 directed on frame, and also gained seven corner kicks to Ignacio's none.

Dillion easily smothered

the visitors' lone appearance of a shot late in the engagement, and also was forced to scoop up a first-half ball out of necessity – preventing a sure score – for two total saves.

The Lady Cats dropped to 0-9, 0-9 prior to hosting Bayfield (8-2, 8-2) on Tuesday, April 28, at 7p.m.

Results were unavailable by the Drum's deadline, as well as those from the team's trip on April 30 to Pagosa Springs – leaving only the May 1 (rescheduled from April 17th) trek to Telluride still ahead and unaccounted for.

Track attacks Aztec • from page 12

Herrera was 22nd in the long jump at 13'4.75" and Perez was 28th at 13'2", but Cotton – one of the event's higher seeds – did not partake.

Ignacio's boys' 4x1 (Blaine Mickey, Lorenzo Peña, Perez and Tyler Riepel) was eighth in 47.92 seconds during the heat races, but did not qualify for the finals. Riepel was eighth in the pole vault at 10'3", tied with AHS' Alex Stalcup and Zane Bradshaw and PVHS' Benjamin Van Otteson.

Perez placed 11th in the 100 preliminaries, clocking 12.04 seconds, but did not make the finals.

Parker Smithson was 46th in the long jump (13'4.25") and Colten Smithson 26th in the triple (27'0").

Mickey was 30th in the shot put with a best heave of 35 feet, nine inches, and Natoni Cundiff was 27th in the discus at 98'4".

Up next for IHS will be PSHS' Terry Alley Invita-

tional on Saturday, May 2, starting at 9 a.m.

At the SJBL's

Welcoming their fellow league members to their all-new track on April 21, the Bobcat boys' and girls' teams each placed fifth out of seven squads, and nearly managed to amass identical point totals.

Ignacio's girls registered 48 points, well behind both Dolores' and Telluride's matching first-place 160's. Ouray was third with 69.5, Mancos took fourth with 56.5, and Dove Creek (37) and Nucla (9) trailed IHS.

Two-spring-sport junior Ellie Seibel won the high jump at 4'5" over Dolores' Shavargus Noyes, and Valdez was the only competitor in the pole vault, winning with a 7'0" effort.

Cotton was second in the long jump with a best bound of 15'9", and also ran a leg on the second-place girls'

4x1 (55.24 seconds) with Baker, Herrera and Azala Perez – who placed second (in 13.63s) in the 100m dash.

The sprint medley relay of Baker, Cotton, Gonzales and Herrera took fourth in a time of 2:05.81.

On the boys' side, MHS prevailed with 150 points, THS followed with 141, and DHS (89) and OHS (65) bridged the gap back to the 'Cats (46). NHS placed sixth with 15 points and DCHS (13) brought up the rear.

Mickey copped a league title in the shot with a best of 38'3.75", and Cundiff did likewise in the discus with a 101'7" maximum. Riepel was best in the pole vault (10'1") over teammates Mickey and Colten Smithson.

Bailey was second in the high jump with a 5'11" best, and the 4x1 (Keith Joosten, Mickey, Lorenzo Peña and Perez) was third in 48.77 seconds.

Local Ignacio weather

Friday, May 1



Mostly sunny 72°F

Saturday, May 2



Mostly sunny 72°F

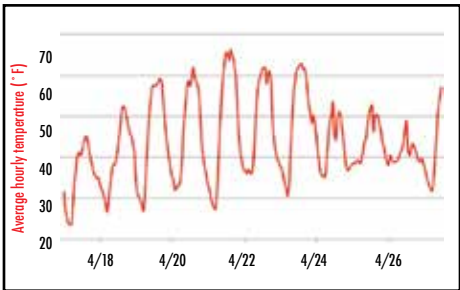
Sunday, May 3



Mostly sunny 71°F



Weather data for April 17 – April 27



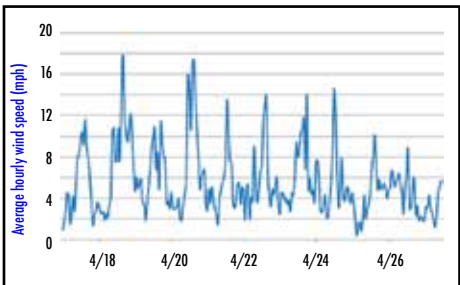
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High	66.2°
Low	23.5°
Average	43.9°
Average last year	49.5°



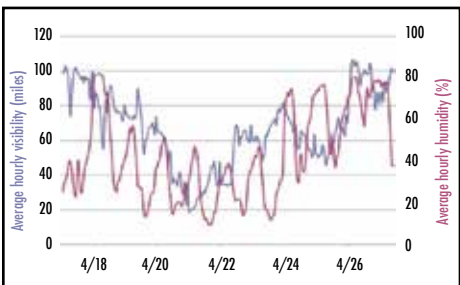
Precipitation

Total	0.530"
Total last year	0.360"



Wind speed

Average	5.6
Minimum	0.4
Maximum	17.8



Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	66.8
Average humidity	52.3%

Air quality

Moderate
Air quality descriptor: 54



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